

40 CFR Part 260

[FRL-5183-5]

Hazardous Waste Management System; Testing and Monitoring Activities

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA or Agency) is amending its hazardous waste regulations under subtitle C of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA) for testing and monitoring activities. This amendment clarifies the temperature requirement for pH measurements of highly alkaline wastes and adds Method 9040B (pH Electrometric Measurement) and Method 9045C (Soil and Waste pH) to "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods," EPA Publication SW-846. This amendment will provide a better and more complete analytical technology for RCRA testing in support of hazardous waste identification under the corrosivity characteristic (40 CFR 261.22).

EFFECTIVE DATE: April 4, 1995. The incorporation by reference of the publication listed in the regulations is approved by the Director of the Federal Register as of April 4, 1995.

ADDRESSES: The official record for this rulemaking (Docket No. F-95-W2TF-FFFFF) is located at the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street SW., Washington, DC 20460 (room M-2616), and is available for viewing from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, excluding Federal holidays. The public must make an appointment to review docket materials by calling (202) 260-9327. The public may copy a maximum of 100 pages of material from any one regulatory docket at no cost; additional copies cost \$0.15 per page.

Copies of the Third Edition of SW-846 as amended by Updates I, II, IIA, and IIB are part of the official docket for this rulemaking, and also are available from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office (GPO), Washington, DC 20402, (202) 512-1800. The GPO document number is 955-001-00000-1. New subscriptions to SW-846 may be ordered from GPO at a cost of \$319.00 (subject to change). There is a 25% surcharge for foreign subscriptions and renewals.

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>>>> Preamble has not been included in this file. <<<<

For the reasons set out in the preamble, title 40, Chapter I, of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as set forth below:

PART 260-HAZARDOUS WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM: GENERAL

1. The authority citation for part 260 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 6905, 6912(a), 6921-6927, 6930, 6934, 6935, 6937, 6938, 6939, and 6974.

Subpart B-Definitions

2. Section 260.11 (a) is amended by revising the "Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods" reference to read as follows:

§ 260.11 References.

(a) * * *

"Test Methods for Evaluating Solid Waste, Physical/Chemical Methods," EPA Publication SW-846 [Third Edition (November, 1986), as amended by Updates I (July, 1992), II (September, 1994), IIA (August, 1993), and IIB (January, 1995)]. The Third Edition of SW-846 and Updates I, II, IIA, and IIB (document number 955-001-00000-1) are available from the Superintendent of Documents, U.S. Government Printing Office, Washington, DC 20402, (202) 512-1800. Copies may be inspected at the Library, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 401 M Street, SW, Washington, DC 20460.

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